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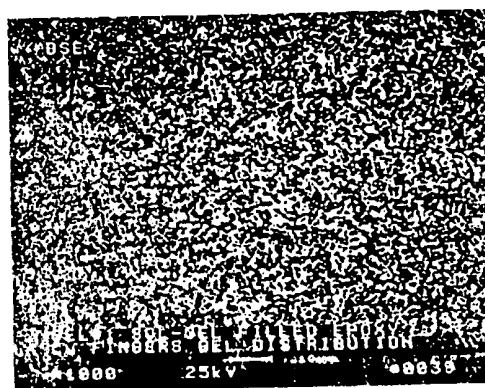
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W-7000 Stuttgart 80 (DE)**(54) **Low dielectric constant composite laminates filled with molecularly porous aerogels.**

(57) A low dielectric constant, controlled coefficient of thermal expansion, low cost material which includes uniformly distributed aerogel microspheres having voids in molecular dimension (at nanoscale) is prepared by extrusion and standard impregnation and lamination techniques. The aerogel microspheres are prepared by sol-gel technique and supercritical drying of the sol-gel particulates. Laminates including this material can be drilled cleanly for through holes and can be used as a substrate for surface mounted devices. Also, these low dielectric aerogel microsphere containing composite resins, when the resin is a photosensitive polymer, can be applied to substrate surfaces such as ceramic or multilayer ceramic substrates and photolithographically processed.

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1. Claims 1-14: Dielectric material, circuit board
2. Claim 15 : Making circuit pattern